# UTILITIES SERVICE BOARD MEETING

June, 11, 2007

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Board President Swafford called the regular meeting of the Utilities Service Board to order at 5:03 p.m. The meeting was held in Conference Room 100B at the Indiana University Research Park at 501 North Morton Street in Bloomington, Indiana.

Board members present: Tom Swafford, Julie Roberts, Jeff Ehman, Tim Henke, Jason Banach, Pedro Roman and ex-officio members Tim Mayer and Tom Micuda. Staff members present: Patrick Murphy, John Langley, Mike Hicks, Mike Trexler, Tom Staley, Adrian Reid and Mike Bengtson. Others present: Ben Beard representing Gentry Estates, Sue Mayer and Russ Sanford.

#### **MINUTES**

Board member Ehman moved and Board member Roberts seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the May 29th, 2007 meeting. Motion carried. 6 Ayes, 1 member absent, (Whikehart).

#### **CLAIMS**

Board member Roberts moved and Board member Henke seconded the motion to approve the claims as follows:

Claims 0790799 through 0790822 including \$70,548.46 from the Water Operations & Maintenance fund, \$3,363.51 from the Water Construction fund and \$5,812.06 from the Water Sinking fund for a total of \$90,515.85 from the Water Utility; Claims 0730476 through 0730517 including \$120,522.75 from the Wastewater Operations & Maintenance fund, \$33,295.75 from the Wastewater Construction fund and \$5,812.06 from the Wastewater Sinking fund for a total of \$159,630.60 from the Wastewater Utility; and claim 0770059 through claim 0770060 for a total of \$6,069.25 from the Wastewater/Stormwater Utility. Total claims approved – \$256,215.70.

Board President Swafford asked that an update on the Wet Weather program be scheduled.

Motion carried. 6 ayes. 1 member absent, (Whikehart).

## APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 WITH INDIANAPOLIS INTERIORS:

Capital Projects Coordinator Hicks explained that this contractor is providing furnishings for the new Service Building. This change order is for furniture and fixings for the meter services room which was included as an addition to the original scope of work for this project. This space has one staff member in it and all the records for meters.

Board member Roberts moved and Board member Henke seconded the motion to approve change order No. 1 with Indianapolis Interiors. Motion carried. 6 ayes, 1 member absent (Whikehart).

# APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 3 WITH CDI, INC:

Capital Projects Coordinator Hicks said this change order is with CDI, the main contractor for the new Service Building. This change order has to do with the contract time line only. No money is involved. There have been some issues that have slowed the project. The project architect has recommended that the contractor be granted five additional days to complete the project. That changes the substantial completion date from June 15<sup>th</sup> to June 20<sup>th</sup>.

This situation occurred because it was realized part way through the project that not enough acoustical insulation had been designed for the manager's offices in the building. This document also lists previously granted time extensions that include an extra two weeks to finish the parking lot construction once the trailers have been removed and an additional thirty days to finish the meter room.

Board member Roberts moved and board member Roman seconded the motion to approve Change Order No. 3 with CDI, Inc. Motion carried. 6 ayes, 1 member absent (Whikehart).

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

No old business was presented

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

No new business was presented.

## **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Board member Henke reminded the USB that at the last meeting there had been some question as to the status of the Property and Planning Subcommittee recommendation regarding the request from Andrew Franklin. The subcommittee had recommended denial but would like to postpone action by the entire USB to allow Mr. Franklin more time to collect information.

The second item was a request by Jim Fountain for a property exchange. Acting on staff recommendations the subcommittee voted to recommend denial of his request.

Board member Banach seconded the recommendation of the subcommittee for denial in each of these cases. Motion carried. 6 ayes. 1 member absent, (Whikehart).

Board member Henke mentioned that there are several issues that Property & Planning would like to discuss. He asked that a subcommittee meeting be scheduled in 4 weeks.

Board President Swafford reported on the Administrative Subcommittee for Subcommittee Chair Whikehart. There were two items on the agenda. In one case it was an issue about an outstanding bill that is being disputed between a property owner and a tenant. The tenant had moved out and left a bill. They requested that the bill be waived. The subcommittee's recommendation is for denial. They said this is a matter for the property owner and the tenant to work out between them.

The second item entailed the Oakland Park Homeowner's Association. They had a water leak in their irrigation system so the water went through the meter but did not go into the sewer system. The leak had continued for some time before it was discovered. The request was to waive the sewer bill only. Because of the size of the adjustment Director Murphy wanted the

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Administrative Subcommittee to be aware of the situation. They were supportive of the adjustment.

Board member Banach added that they had clearly demonstrated that the water did not enter the sewer system.

Board member Henke seconded the recommendation of the subcommittee in each of these cases. Motion carried. 6 Ayes, 1 member absent (Whikehart).

# **STAFF REPORTS:**

Utilities Director Murphy said that a Finance Subcommittee meeting will be scheduled in the near future.

Assistant Director of Engineering Bengtson informed the USB that the Dillman Road Disinfection and Dechlorination project is almost done.

### **PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:**

Russ Sanford said that he has recently moved to the Highlands where everyone has new sod so they have to water it frequently. His bill has been very large with the waste water portion of it being the biggest part. He questioned that since the water is not entering the waste water system.

Utilities Director Murphy explained to him that a "summer sewer average" is offered to customers who do lots of irrigating. Their April and May wastewater bills are averaged and that is the amount that the customer pays for June, July and August. Because the watering started with the first month Mr. Sanford moved into his house his April and May bills are higher than his normal average use would be. Mr. Murphy said that he will ask Customer Service to see if they can work out an equitable solution for him.

### ADJOURNMENT:

L. Thomas Swafford, President

The meeting was adjourned at 5:18 p.m.